

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3805
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PROCUREMENT OF WHEAT
RATTAN LAL KATARIA

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the quantum of wheat procured in Haryana by Food corporation of India during the year 2000-2001;
- (b) the number of centres opened in the State to procure wheat during 2000;
- (c) whether there is a proposal to open more procuring centres in the State;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHAUHAN)

- (a): The Food Corporation of India (FCI) procured a quantity of 4.12 lakh tonnes of wheat in Haryana during Rabi Marketing Season 2000-2001.
- (b): A total number of 380 purchase centres were opened to procure wheat by the FCI and State agencies during 2000-2001. Out of these 43 purchase centres were exclusively operated by FCI and 34 centres jointly with State Governments/its agencies. The State Government and its agencies operated 303 purchase centres.
- (c),(d)&(e): Before the commencement of each Rabi Marketing Season sufficient number of purchase centres are opened by the FCI in consultation with the State Government to avoid distress sale and inconvenience to the farmers.